

Belfast Welcome To Home Rulers Encourages Hope Convention Heartened by Attitude of Orange Stronghold Delegates at Luncheon Plunkett Tells Lord Mayor Expression of Opinion Is Free and Frank

BELFAST, Sept. 4.—Sir Horace Plunkett, chairman of the Irish Convention, speaking to-day at a Lord Mayor's luncheon, said that never in his life had he heard such plain speaking and unreserved expression of opinion without any offence being given by any member as he had heard at the convention.

Every member had come to the convention, added Sir Horace, with the earnest desire to develop, not Irish differences but Irish agreements, and already some members felt very hopeful.

Home Rule Convention Welcomed in Belfast

DUBLIN, Sept. 4.—Assembly of the (National) Convention for Ireland to-day at Belfast, to which city it had been transferred for a time, excited great interest throughout Ireland. Very favorable conclusions were drawn from it.

It is felt to be a great gain that Belfast should abandon its rigid position of unwillingness to discuss Home Rule at all and give a cordial reception to the convention, whose function is to draft a constitution for the government of Ireland.

The last five sittings at Dublin were devoted to discussion of detailed schemes of Home Rule. These discussions will be continued at Belfast, later the convention will sit at Cork.

American Agility Astounds the French

Road Eight Miles Long Built in Month by United States Engineers

PARIS, Sept. 4.—A correspondent of the "Matin," who recently visited the American aviation camp in France, expresses surprise at the number of men who were engaged in the work, and at what has been accomplished already.

"A road eight miles long has been built in less than a month by a company of American engineers, assisted by the French 'Engineering Service,'" he writes. "All the American engineers are volunteers from Pennsylvania. We walked into a forest of brush and barked orders, and in a very short time the rapidly with which everything has been accomplished here. It is scarcely thirty days since the American soldiers arrived at that point. Flying will begin about September 15."

The American school is near large French and British aviation schools, and the camp is about 3,750 acres in extent.

"The engineer officer who accompanies the expedition and the differences between the American and British problems in equipment. He said: 'The British receive all materials ready to go up. We make our tents, cut our own square or beams, etc. Being so far from a great distance from home, it is necessary for us to establish our workshops here. We get out the materials first and then we install barracks for the aviators and workshops for assembling and repairs. It is an industrial city which is being set up inside the airfield.'"

Row Breaks Up Polish Diet Speech by Tarnow

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 3.—Count Adam Tarnowski, son Tarnow, according to a dispatch from Cracow, was one of the prominent speakers at yesterday's joint sitting of the members of the Polish national council and diet to consider the dissolution of the Supreme National Committee. He made a declaration in favor of the dissolution on behalf of the Conservatives.

The Conservatives maintained that it was the duty of all to support to a realization the program of May 11, 1916, and to pursue a sincere state conservatory policy in Austria. A heated discussion followed and ended with the people's parties, the Social Democrats, national Democrats and members of the Polish National Association, leaving the sitting without anything having been accomplished.

Miss Pankhurst Jailed

LONDON, Sept. 4.—Adelle Pankhurst, daughter of Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, leader of the English suffrage leader, was sentenced to-day at Melbourne, Australia, to nine months' imprisonment for holding an unlawful demonstration, according to a Reuter dispatch from that city.

Miss Pankhurst has been engaged in propaganda in Australia against conscription, and several meetings at which she was to speak were broken up by soldiers. A recent dispatch said she had been sentenced to a month in jail for a demonstration outside the Parliament building.

Red Cross Feeds Recruits

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4.—Red Cross chapters in many cities served refreshments to the troops of the National Army travelling to the cantonments to-day.

The Red Cross will cooperate in every way possible with the War Department both in caring for the comfort of troops at mobilization points and at stations where the troop trains are scheduled to stop, and in supplementing the service of the railroads by having reserves of food ready for use in case of any accident or delay. In many places the chapters have actually been doing this during the last week.

All over the country chapters of the Red Cross which number 2,400, are marshalling refreshment units.



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